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Thanks for the feedback, Steve. I'd like to play it safe and go ahead with reprogramming the full \$570K from RV to RS, Joni. If the remedial pipeline dollars become available, I'm happy to accept them and wouldn't worry about trying to change course. I sense we'll spend RS funds at the Animas watershed over the next few years in excess of the \$100K that Steve Wharton has potentially available.

Joni, please let me know if you need anything else so that you can proceed. Thank you all, lw

From: Way, Steven
Sent: Friday, July 17, 2015 10:17 AM
To: Williams, Laura
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Laura,

Thanks for the follow up on the GK / pipeline funding options. Here are some details on the current situation and funding timing:

1. Existing funding in the TO with ERRS is approximately \$180K. (Joni please confirm; I looked at my last 1900-55 from the fall.)
2. Estimated costs to open the adit and construct the portal, manage water, etc. is approximately \$390 K without contingency.
3. Requested additional funds is currently \$200 K of RS type funding.
4. Major work on the mine opening is scheduled for August 10 through September 30. So, the existing funding is adequate for start-up and the first couple weeks of work.

5. This estimate does not account for any significant underground rehab to access the workings, i.e. beyond the blockage removal and portal construction.

So, as for waiting on the decision to receive any pipeline dollars from Remedial, I guess I agree if we have the RV money to reprogram and can start that process that's probably wise. If the \$100K becomes available maybe we can adjust and shift sources before it's too late, but that's really your call and Joni's.

Please just let me know your decision.

Thanks for your help on this.

Steve

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